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MECHANISM FOR THE CONDUIT  
ON A VENTRICULAR ASSIST

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 1, 2005, having a  
three-month shortened statutory response period in which this Amendment is  
being timely filed, please amend the above identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the claim summary which begins  
on page two of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page eight of this paper.

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